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In re:	Patent Application of Elke Bucha <i>et al.</i>	: Group Art Unit: 1641
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Appln. No.:	09/417,534	: Examiner: G. Gabel
Filed:	October 14, 1999	:
For:	INTERACTIVE SYSTEM FOR PRESENTING AND ELIMINATING SUBSTANCES	: Attorney Docket : No. 9282-6 : (D 1055 US)

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

This Amendment is being filed in response to the Office Action dated June 10, 2002 (Paper No. 19), in the above-identified Application. This response is being timely filed by December 10, 2002, in view of the simultaneous filing of a five-month Petition for Extension of Time, including payment of fees.

In the claims:

Please cancel claims 1-6, 11, 13-16, 32 and 34, without prejudice to the filing of one of more divisional applications.

Please add new claims 39-51 as follows:

- 39. (New) The interactive system according to claim 35, wherein the structural element (A) derived from a carboxylic acid is located in a side chain of the monomer.

40. (New) The interactive system according to claim 35, wherein the plastic material is at least one polymer selected from the group consisting of a polymethacrylate, a polyvinylester, and copolymers thereof.